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Dr. Steininger Mr. Walsh

SUBJECT

: Unclassified NSCID

1. The DCI has removed the unclassified NSCID from the NSCIC agenda but he wants to send a copy to Dr. Kissinger for his personal views as soon as it has been coordinated in this building, which passes the ball back to your Committee.

2. Attached are:

- a. A proposed memorandum from the DCI to Dr. Kissinger (the inclusion of the pros and cons re an unclassified NSCID are as per Mr. Colby's request).
- b. A redraft of the unclassified NSCID which reflects Mr. Colby's handwritten notes on the draft submitted to him on 21 January, and comments provided by Dr. Steininger in his memorandum of 21 January.
- c. Copies of several of the pages on which Mr. Colby had written his notes. These pages will indicate why specific mention of the NRO is included, why paragraphs 8a and 8b are written as they are, and why the former paragraph 8c(7) was eliminated.
- 3. At John Warner's request, I have passed a copy of this package to him as well.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Henry A. Kissinger

Chairman, National Security Council Intelligence

Committee

SUBJECT: Proposal for an Unclassified Omnibus NSCID

- 1. Attached is a draft of an omnibus unclassified National Security
 Council Intelligence Directive (NSCID) which I am proposing for consideration as a replacement for the eight existing classified NSCIDs. The working draft is classified Secret pending decision as to whether such an unclassified NSCID is feasible and acceptable.
- 2. The attached draft is an initial effort, but if you and the NSCIC approve the concept which this draft represents, the paper will be reviewed in detail and coordinated fully, to include examination by the general counsels of the appropriate departments and agencies. I recognize that such coordination is likely to prove difficult.
- 3. A number of proposals affecting the Intelligence Community currently are pending before the Congress. If you approve, work on the unclassified NSCID can proceed, but no attempt would be made to fully coordinate or publish an unclassified NSCID pending final action on the proposals now under consideration in the Congress.

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4. The primary purpose of the proposed NSCID is to maintain the essential provisions of the existing NSCIDs and still provide an unclassified "intelligence charter" for use in discussions with Congressional Committees and, as necessary, with other audiences who do not have access to the existing classified NSCIDs. Provisions of the unclassified NSCID would be amplified and augmented by the issuance of more detailed and more specific Director of Central Intelligence Directives (DCIDs), classified as appropriate.

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